

BFSB Regional Readiness Center (\$17,952,000). I would ban earmarks as we know them, but as long as these earmarks are available, I'm going to apply for them in an effort to pursue federal funding opportunities for my district. For military construction projects in the current earmarking system, the individual projects I sponsor have the support of our military and further our national security. Virtually all of the individual construction projects I support are already on the military services' Future Years Defense Program (FYDP) for funding in coming years. In addition, these individual projects are vetted by the professional staff on the House Armed Services and House Appropriations Committees during the appropriations process. I only request funds for projects authorized by law for federal funding and do not do so for private parties or entities. This project will construct a BFSB Regional Readiness Center for the GA National Guard in Cumming, GA. It will house all elements of the Headquarters, Headquarters Company; Network Support Company; Brigade Support Company of the Battlefield Surveillance Brigade and will provide the necessary administrative, training and storage areas required to achieve proficiency in required training tasks. This is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because it will provide adequate administrative, training and classroom space to help the units complete their mission essential training tasks and be better prepared to support their state, local and GWOT missions. Beneficiary: Georgia National Guard, 900 Pilgrim Mill Road, Cumming, GA 30040.